

REMARKS

Claims 1-19 are pending with claim 2 and 6-19 withdrawn as directed to non-elected invention. Applicant previously elected the claims of Group I, claims 1 and 3-5, drawn to a method of selecting an agent that prevents cleavage of and APP substrate, for examination. The Examiner requests that Applicants elect either cathepsin B or cathepsin L as a species. Applicants elect, with traverse, cathepsin B. Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1, 3 and 4 read on the elected invention. Furthermore, claim 3 is submitted to be linking claim and, once deemed allowable, dependent claims 1, 4 and 5 should be fully examined.

CONCLUSION

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 502624 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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